

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application, with Claims 1, 8 and 14 being independent claims.

Claims 1-20 have been rejected.

Claims 1, 8, and 14-15 have been amended.

Favorable reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-6 and 8-14 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Pederson USP 6,462,669 and has rejected Claims 7 and 15-20 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pederson as applied to claims 1 and 14 above, and further in view of Barnett et al. USP 6,541,800. The applicants have amended independent Claims 1, 8 and 14 to overcome these rejections.

The cited US Patent No 6,462,669 (Pederson) teaches an LED mounting area (238) that may be preferably integral or affixed to the upper section of a vertical post (236). The LED mounting area (238) preferably includes a plurality of individual LED module lamps (240) which may be individually, sequentially, or illuminated in combination with other light sources at the preference of an individual (see, for example, column 19, lines 45-51). Accordingly, the '669 patent does not teach the inventive feature of a common printed circuit board base adapted to accept all of a plurality of different types of illumination sources.

The present invention, by contrast, is concerned with a common printed circuit board base *adapted to accept all of a plurality of different types of illumination sources (emphasis added)* (see the present application at the two paragraphs beginning on page 3, line 1).

Independent Claims 1, 8 and 14 have been amended to more clearly differentiate the present invention from the cited prior art documents, and in particular the '669 patent.

The applicant respectfully requests that these rejections be withdrawn.

In view of the amendments and above remarks, it is believed that the application is on condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early Notice thereof is respectfully requested.